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PATENT APPLICATION

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL**

Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114 of the below-identified pending utility or plant application:

Serial No.: 10/587 620

Filing Date: May 8, 2007

Confirmation No.: 9965

Title: TEAT RUBBER

Inventors: Jakob Maier JUN and Wilfried HATZACK

Group: 3643

Examiner: Hayes

Please direct correspondence to the address associated with the following customer number:

**23474**

FLYNN, THIEL, BOUTELL & TANIS, P.C.  
(FIRM)

1. Submission required under 37 CFR §1.114
  - a. ☐ An amendment under 37 CFR §1.116 previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_ was not entered. Please enter before calculating the filing fee.
  - b. ☒ Enclosed is/are:
    - i. ☒ Amendment/Response (please enter before calculating the filing fee)
    - ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
    - iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
    - iv. ☒ Acknowledgment Post Card
    - v. ☐ Letter to Examiner.

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☒ Small entity status is claimed. See 37 CFR 1.27.

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3. Fees (The RCE fee under 37 CFR §1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR §1.114 when the RCE is filed).

- a. ☒ The RCE fee and any filing fee for claims are calculated as shown below, after entering any amendments which this transmittal indicates are to be entered prior to such calculation:

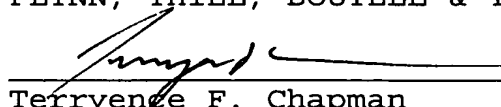
For	No. Filed	No. Extra	( ) LG Entity	RATE	(X) SM Entity	Fee
Basic RCE Fee				\$810.00	\$405.00	\$405.00
Total Claims	(14 - 20 = 0)		x	\$ 52.00	x \$ 26.00	
Indep. Claims	( 2 - 3 = 0)		x	220.00	x \$110.00	
[ ] Multiple Dep. Claim			+	\$390.00	+	\$195.00
* * * TOTAL FILING FEE * * *						\$ 405.00

- b. ☒ Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a), please extend the shortened period for response by three months. The extension fee is: \$555.00.
- c. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR §1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months). Suspension of action fee is \$\_\_\_\_\_ (37 CFR §1.17(i)).
- d. ☒ A check for \$960.00 is enclosed to cover fees.
- e. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 06-1382 in the amount of \$\_\_\_\_\_.
- f. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional application processing fees under 37 CFR §1.17 associated with this communication or to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1382.

The undersigned is: ☒ an attorney of record  
☐ acting under 37 CFR §1.34.

Please direct all telephone calls to the undersigned at telephone number (269) 381-1156.

Respectfully submitted,  
FLYNN, THIEL, BOUTELL & TANIS, P.C.

  
Terryence F. Chapman  
Reg. No. 32 549

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Encl: Listed above